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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7624 NOTE PREPARED: Feb 27, 2003 **BILL NUMBER:** HB 1761 **BILL AMENDED:** Feb 27, 2003

SUBJECT: Child Abuse Reporting.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Avery BILL STATUS: As Passed - House

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: No Fiscal Impact

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> (Amended) This bill provides that Child Protective Services (CPS) shall conduct in-home visits at least once every 30 days to ensure compliance with a: (1) voluntary services referral agreement; or (2) program of informal adjustment. The bill provides that a CPS report compiled following an investigation of child abuse or neglect may conclude that abuse or neglect is indicated. (Current law allows only substantiated and unsubstantiated findings.)

Effective Date: July 1, 2003.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) This bill requires Child Protective Services to conduct inhome visits at least once every 30 days for voluntary services referral agreements and a program of informal adjustment.

This provision will not have a fiscal impact. Current FSSA policies require a Family Case Manager to visit voluntary service referral agreement and informal adjustment participants at least once each month at their residence. Thus, there would not be any increase in workload.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Family and Social Services Administration

<u>Local Agencies Affected:</u> County Offices of Family and Children

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and Children Assessment Training Schedule, Family Case Manager Contact Standards.

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